SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 28

By Green

A RESOLUTION recognizing Norman Smith Elementary on its selection as a 2013–14 Reward School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this body pay tribute to those public schools in Tennessee that, through the natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence evidenced by their administration, faculty, staff, students, and parents, have achieved significant milestones; and

WHEREAS, Norman Smith Elementary is one such school that was recently honored as a Reward School under Tennessee's new education accountability system; and

WHEREAS, under Tennessee's approved waiver from the federal No Child Left Behind Act, Reward Schools represent the top five percent of schools based on student performance or progress; and

WHEREAS, the administration, faculty, and staff of Norman Smith Elementary have built an environment that ensures students have the very best atmosphere for learning; and

WHEREAS, Norman Smith Elementary's selection as a 2013–14 Reward School is a tremendous source of pride for the administration, teachers, students, and parents of the community; and

WHEREAS, the dedication to academic excellence demonstrated by all the fine individuals affiliated with Norman Smith Elementary is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Norman Smith Elementary on being named a

2013–14 Reward School; salute the school's administration, faculty, staff, students, and parents

on this prestigious honor; and extend to them our best wishes for continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.